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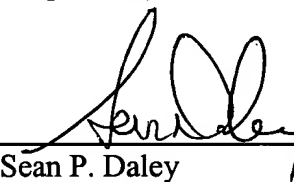
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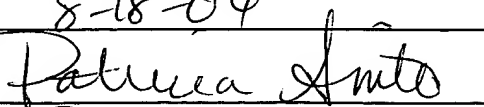
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Applicant submits the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449, copies of which are enclosed. Applicant believes that U.S. Patent No. 5,354,309 (previously submitted) is the U.S. counterpart to West German utility model 90-14230, and therefore Applicant does not enclose a translation of German utility model 90-14230.

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